

## REMARKS

Reconsideration and reexamination of this application is respectfully requested.

Withdrawn claims 1 and 2 are cancelled.

Claims 3 –18 are pending in the Application.

Claim 17 is cancelled by this amendment.

Claim 3 is amended.

In a telecon with the Examiner on Sept. 25, examiner indicated tentatively that claim 3 would be allowed if the word water were modified by the term pure water. and if the acid mixed in water were agitated

Accordingly, claim 3 has been amended by modifying the word water with the addition of pure to modify water.

And by the amendment of the term (ii) of claim 3 by:

(ii) mixing reagent grade sulfuric acid in said pure water and agitating said reagent grade sulfuric acid in said pure water whereby an aqueous sulfuric acid solution is formed;”

The Examiner states;

“ a complete reply to the final rejection must include  
cancellation of non-elected claims .”

Accordingly, withdrawn claims 1 and 2 are cancelled..

In view of the above, all reasons for rejecting claim 3 have been overcome and it is believed that claim 3 is in condition for allowance. Allowance of claim 3 is earnestly solicited.

All remaining claims depend from claim 3 and should be allowed for at least the same reasons for allowing claim 3

Respectfully submitted,

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